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**AMENDMENT #2  
TO 2008 DISASTER RECOVERY INITIATIVE (DRI) PROGRAM  
NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA) ISSUED MAY 12, 2010**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (Department) issued a NOFA for the 2008 Disaster Recovery Initiative (DRI) Program on May 12, 2010 announcing the availability of approximately \$38.3 Million to assist with the physical and economic recovery of eligible entities affected by 2008 wild fire disasters.

The NOFA indicated an additional Disaster Recovery Enhancement Fund (DREF) allocation could be available from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). On November 24, 2010, the Department issued an amendment to its 2008 DRI action plan confirming HUD's approval of an additional DREF allocation of up to \$15 Million. To date, the Department has approximately \$39 million remaining 2008 DRI funds available, including the DREF allocation.

To ensure all eligible communities are provided every opportunity to achieve as complete a recovery as possible from physical and economic damage experienced from 2008 wildfire disasters, and promote the broadest possible participation in the noticing and solicitation of applications requesting 2008 DRI funding, the Department is amending the 2008 DRI NOFA to include the following changes:

- Maximum Total Award Limit, previously set at \$5,000,000 is amended to **\$8,500,000**.
  - *Requests for funding will be reviewed and evaluated on a case-by-case basis.*
  - *The additional limits listed in Paragraph 4 a) on page 7 of the original NOFA dated May 12, 2010 have been edited as follows:*

**4. FUNDING LIMITS**

a) Maximum total award limits:

Eligible cities, counties and named federally recognized tribes may apply for:

Up to **\$5,000,000** if Low-Mod Beneficiaries represent at least **51% to 70%**

Up to **\$8,500,000** if Low-Mod Beneficiaries represent at least **71% to 100%**

- Maximum Award Limits for Forward Thinking Hazard Mitigation Planning activities is increased to **\$250,000** per jurisdiction as follows:

Up to **\$150,000** for creation/update of Local Hazard Mitigation Plans

Up to **\$250,000** for creation/update of Safety Elements in General Plans

- On page 14 of the NOFA, the phrase "All other activities (includes Planning): up to 8 percent" is corrected to read, "All other activities (excluding Planning): up to 8 percent." Activity Delivery costs may not be taken on Planning activities.
- The application process has been modified to allow jurisdictions that had previously applied, to submit written requests for increased or additional 2008 DRI Program funding, for the same or additional DRI eligible activities.
  - *All requests for increased or additional DRI funding from jurisdictions that previously submitted applications, must be received by the Department no later than **April 29, 2011**.*
  - *Requests should be submitted in narrative form, signed by the Authorized Representative, and accompanied by all appropriate DRI application activity-specific forms, supporting documentation, and amended Sources and Uses charts.*
- After contract execution, DRI contract amendments, while strongly discouraged, may be considered on an as-needed basis.

All other components of the DRI NOFA dated May 12, 2010, as amended in Amendment #1, remain as originally issued.

For additional information please visit our DRI website at:

<http://www.hcd.ca.gov/fa/dri.html>. You may also e-mail questions to the Program at: [dri@hcd.ca.gov](mailto:dri@hcd.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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